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Former Lancaster Prison Guard Pleads to Smuggling Contraband, Gang Affiliation

A former correctional officer at a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) facility in Lancaster pleaded no contest today to bringing contraband into the prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Craig Kleffman said Andre Pierre Scott (dob 10/27/71) also admitted that the crime was committed for the benefit of a criminal street gang in case MA061450.

Scott was immediately sentenced to four years in state prison and waived credit for the two years in custody he already has served.

In 2012 and 2013, Scott distributed contraband such as phones, heroin and marijuana into the prison, the prosecutor said. The contraband was smuggled in by the defendant or thrown over a prison fence by civilians and then distributed by Scott, the prosecutor added.

The defendant is a member of the Pasadena Denver Lane Bloods street gang.

The case was investigated by the Internal Affair Bureau of CDCR.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.